

ATTORNEYS AT LAW  
1840 DUKE STREET  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314  
(703) 413-3000  
(703) 413-2220 FACSIMILE  
OBLONPAT@OBLON.COM  
WWW.OBLON.COM

**FACSIMILE**

PLEASE CALL US AT (703) 413-3000 IF THE MESSAGE YOU RECEIVE IS INCOMPLETE OR NOT LEGIBLE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to

**RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

**MAR 07 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
(571) 273 8900 *De*

on Date: 3/7/06

Signature: *Kirsten Grünberg*

Kirsten A. Grünberg, Ph.D.

Total number of pages including this page: 6

Dept.: Chemical

By: NFO/KAG/pae

OSMM&N File No. 244809US0RE

Serial No. 10/714,475

In the matter of the Application of: Soichi OBATA

For: POROUS SHEET

**BEST AVAILABLE COPY**

Due Date: n/a

- ☒ Dep. Acct. Order Form
- ☒ PTO Cover Letter
- ☒ Letter
- ☒ Copy of the Statement under 37 CFR 3.73 (b) as filed March 23, 2004
- ☒ Copy of the Date-Stamped Filing Receipt of March 23, 2004

Unless otherwise indicated or obvious from the nature of the transmittal, the information contained in this facsimile message is attorney privileged and confidential information intended for the use of the individual or entity named above. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient or the employee or agent responsible to deliver it to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error or are not sure whether it is privileged, please immediately notify us by telephone and return the original message to us at the above address via the U.S. Postal Service at our Expense. Thank You.

Docket No.: 244809US0RE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

RE: Application Serial No.: 10/714,475  
Applicants: Soichi OBATA  
Filing Date: November 17, 2003  
For: POROUS SHEET  
Group Art Unit: 3724  
Examiner: HAMILTON

SIR:

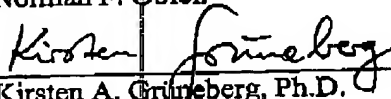
Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Letter; Copy of Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73 (b) as filed March 23, 2004; Copy of the Date-Stamped Filing Receipt of March 23, 2004

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.  
Norman F. Oblon

  
Kirsten A. Gruneberg, Ph.D.  
Registration No. 47,297

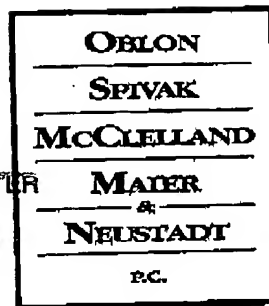
Customer Number

22850

(703) 413-3000 (phone)  
(703) 413-2220 (fax)

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAR 07 2006



ATTORNEYS AT LAW

NORMAN F. OBLON  
(703) 413-3000  
NOBLON@OBLON.COM

KIRSTEN A. GRUNEBERG, Ph.D.  
(703) 413-3000  
KGRUNEBERG@OBLON.COM

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

# BEST AVAILABLE COPY

Docket No.: 244809USORE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

RE: Application Serial No.: 10/714,475  
Applicants: Soichi OBATA  
Filing Date: November 17, 2003  
For: POROUS SHEET  
Group Art Unit: 3724  
Examiner: HAMILTON

SIR:


Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Letter; Copy of Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73 (b) as filed March 23, 2004; Copy of the Date-Stamped Filing Receipt of March 23, 2004

Our check in the amount of \$,0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.  
Norman F. Oblon

  
Kirsten A. Gruneberg, Ph.D.  
Registration No. 47,297

Customer Number

**22850**

(703) 413-3000 (phone)  
(703) 413-2220 (fax)



ATTORNEYS AT LAW

NORMAN F. OBLON  
(703) 413-3000  
NOBLON@OBLON.COM

KIRSTEN A. GRÜNEBERG, PH.D.  
(703) 413-3000  
KGRUNEBERG@OBLON.COM

1940 DUKE STREET ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314 U.S.A.  
TELEPHONE: 703-413-3000 FACSIMILE: 703-413-2220 WWW.OBLON.COM

DOCKET NO: 244809US0RE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAR 07 2006

IN RE APPLICATION OF

SOICHI OBATA

SERIAL NO: 10/714,475

FILED: NOVEMBER 17, 2003

FOR: POROUS SHEET

: EXAMINER: HAMILTON

: GROUP ART UNIT: 3724

LETTER

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

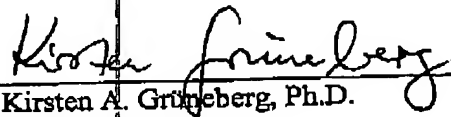
SIR:

In response to the a telephone discussion with the Examiner on March 1, 2006, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the Statement under 37 CFR 3.73 (b) and a copy of the date-stamped filing receipt of March 23, 2004.

This application presents allowable subject matter, and the Examiner is kindly requested to pass it to issue. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the claims or otherwise wish to discuss this case, he is kindly invited to contact Applicants' below-signed representative, who would be happy to provide any assistance deemed necessary in speeding this application to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.  
Norman F. Oblon

  
Kirsten A. Gruneberg, Ph.D.  
Attorney of Record  
Registration No. 47,297

Customer Number  
22850

Tel: (703) 413-3000  
Fax: (703) 413 -2220  
(OSMMN 06/04)

OSMM&N File No. 244809US0RE

Serial No. 10/714,475

In the matter of the Application of: Soichi OBATA

For: POROUS SHEET

Dept.: Chemical

By: NFO/KAG/I

Due Date: May 9, 2004

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamp:

- Dep. Acc. Order Form
- Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application (return copy)
- Response to Missing Parts Transmittal
- Filing of Reissue Application Declaration by the Inventor
- Reissue Application Declaration by the Inventor
- Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b)
- Reissue Application: Consent of Assignee

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

COPY



## STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAR 07 2006

Applicant/Patent Owner: Soichi OBATAApplication No./Patent No.: US 6,252,128Filed/Issue Date: June 26, 2001Entitled: POROUS SHEET

Kuraray Co., Ltd.

(Name of Assignee)

, a Corporation

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, government agency, etc.)

States that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or  
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.  
The extent (by, percentage) of its ownership interest is \_\_\_\_\_ %

in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

- A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 011086, Frame 0860, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

- B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

1. From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at  
Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

2. From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at  
Reel \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

3. From: \_\_\_\_\_

To: \_\_\_\_\_

The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at  
Reel \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

☐ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

- ☒ Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.  
[NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.08]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

January 13, 2004

Date

Takao Akagi

Typed or printed name

Takao Akagi

Signature

General Manager of Intellectual Property Center

Title

COPY

BEST AVAILABLE COPY